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Questar Gas asks Utah PSC to cut natural gas rates by \$13.3 million

SALT LAKE CITY — The cost of heating homes in Utah continues to fall. Questar Gas today asked the Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) to reduce natural gas rates by \$13.3 million. If approved, the rate cut will lower the typical homeowner's annual bill by about \$11.44 per year, or 1.68 percent, beginning Sept. 1, 2012.

"The price we pay to buy gas for our customers is about as low as it's been in a decade," said Craig Wagstaff, executive vice president, chief operating officer, Questar Gas. "Abundant supplies of natural gas nationwide have resulted in an oversupply. This is good news for consumers, and once again we're able to lower our rates, which are already among the lowest in the U.S." He cautioned, however, that natural gas prices can fluctuate with changes in supply and demand.

Since January 1, 2011, Questar Gas has been reducing its rates to reflect lower natural gas prices.

Wagstaff also reminded Questar Gas customers that funds may be available to help those in need. Utah's HEAT (Home Energy Assistance Target) program and Questar Gas's REACH (Residential Energy Assistance through Community Help) program also assists income-eligible. For information about these and other assistance programs dial 211. For energy-saving tips, information about rebates or to enroll in Questar Gas's Budget Plan, please visit Questargas.com or ThermWise.com.